

Worst. Ethical. Hacker. Challenge. Ever.

Challenge Extended to Nov 19, 2007!

No one got the challenge 100% correct, and only 1 person found the hidden message.

So let's keep it going... I know you all can do this one!!

Woohoo! I'm delighted to announce that we have a brand-new ethical hacker challenge for you. This one was written by Kevin Bong, or as I like to call him "K-Bo", who was the creative winner of the Charlotte's Web Site challenge earlier this year. K-Bo always does great work, and this Simpsons-themed challenge is awesome, from its self-deprecating title to its format. It's called, "Worst. Ethical. Hacker. Challenge. Ever." How's that for managing expectations, setting the bar pretty low? It features Jeff "Comic Book Guy" Albertson from the Simpsons. One of the things I love about having my friends write these challenges is that each brings a different style to the endeavor, from Tom Liston's Netcat rhyming to Mike Poor's Kill Bill martial arts references to Matt Carpenter's Serenity malware analysis skills. Each has taken the basic idea of these challenges and expanded it in their own quirky way. This month, K-Bo doesn't disappoint, with this very whacked view of Comic Book Guy getting hacked, all written in comic book format. Sheer genius! Do'h!

Remember, as always, we'll award three prizes: One for the best technical answer, one for the most creative answer that is technically correct, and one awarded to a winner chosen randomly. Thus, if you can't answer all of the questions, still send something in to qualify for the random winner. This month's prize is my book, Malware: Fighting Malicious Code, which I authored with Lenny Zeltser.

--Ed Skoudis, IntelGuardians

Author, Counter Hack Reloaded

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By Kevin Bong

This challenge is so perfect in its layout, that we decided to leave it intact in a separate window... a first for the Skillz Challenges.

Start Challenge Now!!

Please read Kevin's challenge, compose your answers, and e-mail them to skillz1007@ethicalhacker.net with the Subject: 'Skillz Submission' by October 31, 2007. By mid November, Kevin will choose three winners, one from each of these categories:

- Best technical answer
- Most creative and technically correct answer
- Random draw from all answers submitted, correct, incorrect, complete, partially complete, etc.

Each winner gets an autographed copy of one of Ed and Lenny's book, *Malware: Fighting Malicious Code*, congratulating you on your victory and amazing abilities!